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#### December is YOTA month

The Youngsters On the Air are active with following calls during December from all over the world: 3V8YOTA, 4O1YOTA, 4O2YOTA, 7X2YOTA, 9A0YOTA, 9A16YOTA, A2YOTA, A60YOTA, A91YOTA, DA0YOTA, E71YOTA, ES9YOTA, ET3AA/YOTA, GB16YOTA, HA6YOTA, HB9YOTA, II2YOTA, II5YOTA, J62YOTA, LX4YOTA, LY5YOTA, LZ16YOTA, OD5RI/YOTA, OE16YOTA, OE2YOTA, OH2YOTA, OL16YOTA, OM16YOTA, OM9YOTA, ON4YOTA, PA6YOTA, PD6YOTA, R16YOTA, SH9YOTA, TM0YOTA, Y00YOTA, YT16YOTA and ZS9YOTA. QSL via Club Log OQRS. <a href="http://www.ham-yota.com/december-yota-month/">http://www.ham-yota.com/december-yota-month/</a>

#### IOTA friends...watch out! EU-190 Viktoriya Island NEW

Note: At the 50th anniversary IOTA Convention 2014, Roger Ballister G3KMA announced 11 new reference numbers that would be added to the programme with immediate effect. As of today, only AF-118 and EU-190 are the final two still to be activated.

- 1) AF-118 CN Los Farallones and Jaegerschmidt, Morocco
- 2) NA-247 PJ7 St Maarten's Coastal Islands
- 3) AF-119 S7 Coetivy Island, Seychelles
- 4) EU-190 RI1 Viktoriya isl, Franz Josef Land
- 5) OC-296 Tobi and Helen, T8 Palau
- 6) AS-200 JA5 Shikoku Coastal Islands
- 7) AS-201 Sea of Marmara isl, TA Turkey
- 8) AS-202 A9 Hawar isl, Bahrain
- 9) AS-203 UA0X Sea of Okhotsk Coast Group
- 10) EU-191 YO Fericirii island, Romania/Ukraine
- 11) NA-248 VY0 Nunavut (Devon) Island

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### **DXCC**

#### This week on HF

**5T, MAURITANIA** Vlad, UA4WHX will soon be QRV as C50VB from 80 to 10 meter using CW and SSB. His length of stay is unknown. QSL via home call.

**5U, NIGER** Yves, F5PRU is active during his spare time as 5U7RK and this for the next few months. Activity from 80 to 10 meter using CW and SSB. QSL via F5PRU, direct or bureau, LoTW, logsearch on Club Log.

**9Q, Dem. Rep. of CONGO** Christian, IS0BWM is operating as 9Q3HQ/3 until December 25. Operation on all bands using SSB only. QSL via home call, direct only. Log search on Club Log.

**A3, TONGA** Hiro, JA6WFM is operating as A31MM until early 2017. Activity from 160 to 6 meter. QSL via EA5GL.

**C5, THE GAMBIA** Vlad, UA4WHX will be active as C50VB. As usual length of stay is unknown. QSL via home call.

**C5, THE GAMBIA** Bogdan SP2FUD and Zenon SP2GCJ are once again QRV as C5FUD and C5GCJ until December 16. Operation on HF using CW, SSB and RTTY. QSL via homecalls.

- **C9, MOZAMBIQUE** Johannes, PD0JBH is QRV as C91PA until March 2017. Operation during his spare time mostly on 40 and 20 meter using SSB. QSL via LoTW.
- **FM, MARTINIQUE** David, W2LNX is active as FM/call until December 16. Activity during his spare time (morning and evening) on 40, 30 and 20 meter using PSK31 and PSK63. QSL via home call.
- **HC, ECUADOR** Emanuele IK20HG is operating as HC2HGT until January 10, 2017. Activity from 40 to 10 meter using CW, RTTY and SSB. QSL via IK20HG, direct or bureau, LoTW.
- **J6, ST LUCIA** David, W2LNX will be active as J6LNX or as J6/call from December 16 until December 22. Activity during his spare time (morning and evening) on 40, 30 and 20 meter using PSK31 and PSK63. QSL via home call.
- **J6, ST LUCIA** Bill, K9HZ will once again be QRV as J68HZ from December 17 until January 2, 2017. Operation from 160 to 6 meter using CW, RTTY and SSB. QSL via LoTW.
- **JD1, MINAMI TORISHIMA** Take, JG8NQJ will once again be operating as call/JD1. Operation during his spare time between December 19 and March 15, 2017. Operation from 20 to 6 meter using CW and RTTY. QSL via JG8NQJ bureau or via JA8CJY direct. **PJ4, BONAIRE** Juergen DJ2VO and Martin DL3KMS are active as PJ4/call until December 15. Activity on HF. QSL via homecalls.
- **PJ4, BONAIRE** Holger DL1COP and Monika DC7MO are operating as PJ4/calls until December 15. Operation on HF. QSL via homecalls.
- **T8, PALAU** Akira, JH0CKF is operating as T88MZ until December 16. Activity on HF. QSL via home call, direct or bureau, LoTW, OQRS Club Log.
- **TZ, MALI** Laurent, F5IXR is QRV as TZ5XR until February 2017. Activity from 160 to 6 meter during his spare time. QSL via F5MXH.
- **V4, ST KITTS** John, W5JON is once again operating as V47JA until December 15. Activity from 160 to 6 meter using SSB. QSL via home call, direct only and LoTW. **VK9N, NORFOLK ISL** Matt, VK1MA will be operating in 'holiday-style' as VK9NM between December 19 and December 26. Operation from 160 to 10 meter. QSL via LoTW.
- **VP5, TURKS & CAICOS** Mikhail, VE7ACN is QRV as VP5/call until December 19. Operation on HF using CW and SSB. QSL via home call, LoTW.
- **Z2, ZIMBABWE** Herbert, 7Z1HB is operating as Z21LS until January 2017. Activity from 40 to 10 meter using SSB, PSK and RTTY. QSL via DE1ZHB, direct or bureau. **ZF, CAYMAN ISL** Jeff, K5WE will be QRV as ZF2WE from Cayman Brac between December 21 and December 30. Activity from 160 to 10 meter using mostly CW with some RTTY. QSL via home call, OQRS Club Log, LoTW.

# Coming up soon

- **5Z4, KENYA** Sila, AKOSK will be operating as 5Z4/call from December 22 until January 6, 2017. Operation from 80 to 10 meter using SSB. QSL via home call, LoTW.
- **JD1, OGASAWARA** Harry, JG7PSJ will once again be operating as JD1BMH between December 23 and January 1, 2017. Activity from 160 to 10 meter using CW, SSB and RTTY. <a href="http://sapphire.es.tohoku.ac.jp/jd1bmh/">http://sapphire.es.tohoku.ac.jp/jd1bmh/</a>
- **PJ2, CURACAO** Steve, PJ4DX will be QRV in 'holiday-style' as PJ2/KH0UN from December 28 until December 31. QSL via LoTW.
- **T8, PALAU** Ryosei, JH0IXE will again be active as T8CW between December 26 and January 6, 2017. Activity from 80 to 6 meter using CW, SSB and digital. QSL via JA0FOX, LoTW.
- **T8, PALAU** Ted, JA7XBG will be QRV as T88GA from December 25 until December 29. Activity from 160 to 6 meter using CW, SSB and digital mode. QSL via home call, LoTW.

# **Antarctic base stations**

**Dumont d'Urville Station** Francois, F4HLT is active for one year at the Dumont d'Urville Station on Petrels Island (AN-017). In his spare time he will be QRV as FT3YL. His licence is valid until 1 February 2018. QSL via F6KPQ. <a href="https://f4hlt.wordpress.com/">https://f4hlt.wordpress.com/</a>) **Marambio Base** Operator Juan, LU4ZS is active from Marambio Base, Seymour Island, Antarctica for 3 more days. Activity mostly on 40m. QSL via LU4DXU.

**Molodezhnaya base** Oleg, ZS10IN is active as RI1ANA until April 2017. Operation from 160 to 10 meter. QSL via home call.

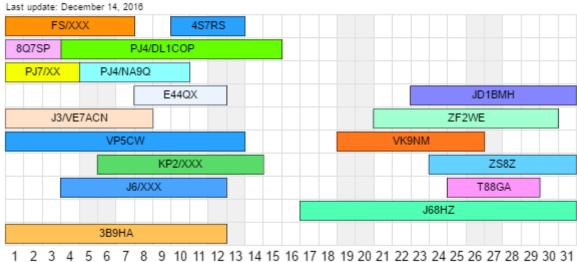
**Neumayer Station III** Felix, DL5XL is active as DP1POL until February 2017. Operation on HF using mainly CW and digital modes. QSL via DL1ZBO, bureau or direct, LoTW. There will also be a ham radio operator on the next wintering team at Neumayer Station III. Daniel, DL1SU, works as an electronics engineer at the base. He plans to use the club call sign DP0GVN from December 2016 to February 2018. QSL cards for DP0GVN will be handled by DL5EBE, direct or via the bureau.

**Syowa research station** Yath, JG2MLI will be operating as 8J1RL from January 1, 2017 until January 2018. In addition, to mark the  $60^{th}$  anniversary of Japanese Antarctic Research Expeditions, Yath will also use the call 8J60JARE. Operation from 40 to 10 meter using all modes. QSL via bureau and LoTW, for direct via JG2MLI.

**Vostok Station** Alex, RD1AV is once again operating as RI1ANC from mid-December until mid-February 2018. Operation during his spare time on all bands using CW, SSB and digital modes. QSL via RN1ON, direct or bureau, OQRS Club Log.

# DX Timeline by WORLD.net FEATURED DXPEDITIONS TIMELINE

Edited by MM0NDX



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# **IOTA**

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#### This week on HF

**AF-045 Goree Isl** Members of the ARAS will once again be operating as 6V1A between December 16 and December 18. Operation on HF using CW and SSB. QSL via 6W7JX. <a href="https://www.rsqbiota.org/info/search.php?q=AF045">https://www.rsqbiota.org/info/search.php?q=AF045</a>

**AF-090 Sainte Marie Isl** Eric, F6ICX is once again operating as 5R8IC until February 4, 2017. QRV on HF using mostly CW from 80 to 10 meter. QSL via home call, LoTW, logsearch and OQRS Club Log.

**OC-129 Visayan Isl** Robert, DU7ET is operating as 4F7OC until January 15, 2017. QSL via home call. <a href="https://www.rsqbiota.org/info/search.php?q=OC129">https://www.rsqbiota.org/info/search.php?q=OC129</a>

# Coming up soon

**EU-157 Cezembre Isl** Gil F4FET, Antoine F5RAB and others will be active as TM1CEZ during December 26 and December 28. Activity with 3-4 stations from 80 to 10 meter using CW, SSB and RTTY. QSL via M0OXO.

https://www.rsqbiota.org/info/search.php?q=EU157

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

## **Announced DX**

#### THE NEWCOMERS

**5U, NIGER** A large team will be QRV as 5U5R from March 8 until March 21, 2017. Activity from 160 to 6 meter using CW, SSB and RTTY with 4 stations. QSL via EA5RM. <a href="http://www.dxfriends.com/5u5r/index.php">http://www.dxfriends.com/5u5r/index.php</a>

**8Q, MALDIVES** Rolf, DL8AZ will be operating as 8Q7AZ from January 2 until January 11, 2017. Activity from 40 to 10 meter using SSB. QSL via home call.

**8Q, MALDIVES** Neven, LZ1COM will be QRV as 8Q7ND from December 30 until January 5, 2017. QSL via home call.

#### THE REMINDERS

**3Y, BOUVET ISL** Bob K4UEE, Erling LA6VM and Ralph K0IR are planning a DXpedition to the most remote place on earth. The DXpedition is taking place early 2018. More to follow. <a href="http://www.dx-world.net/3y0z-bouvet-2018/">http://www.dx-world.net/3y0z-bouvet-2018/</a>/ <a href="http://www.bouvetdx.org/">http://www.bouvetdx.org/</a>

**5N, NIGERIA** Tom, PA3TG will be active as 5N40TG during his spare time starting early January 2017. QSL via home call, bureau or direct.

#### **6W, SENEGAL**

#### **J5, GUINEA-BISSAU**

Peter, HA3AUI will once again be operating as 6W2SC and as J5UAP from January 20 until March 5, 2017. Operation from 20 to 10 meter using CW, other modes on request. QSL via home call, direct and LoTW.

**9X, RWANDA** Harald DF2WO (XT2AW, D44TWO) will visit Rwanda between February 3 and March 11, 2017. He will operate from Kigali as 9X2AW. QSL via M0OXO.

**A2, BOTSWANA** A large team led by Nobby G0VJG will be QRV as A25UK during early spring 2017. Operation with 5 stations from 160 to 10 meter using CW, SSB and RTTY. More to follow. QSL via M0OXO. <a href="https://www.prismembroidery.co.uk/dxexp/a25uk/">https://www.prismembroidery.co.uk/dxexp/a25uk/</a> CO, CUBA Marcin, SP5QAZ will be QRV in 'holiday-style' as CO5/call during early

January 2017. Operation on 20 and 15 meter. QSL via home call.

- **E5, NORTH COOK** This DXpedition commemorates the launch of a new non-profit supporting charitable works by DXpeditions. Operation as E51AMF from January 11, 2017 until February 6, 2017. Activity from 160 to 10 meter using CW, SSB and RTTY. <a href="http://amateurfoundation.org/">http://e51amf.amateurfoundation.org/</a>
- **E5, SOUTH COOKS** Doug, W6HB will once again be QRV as E51DLD between April 28 and May 3, 2017. Activity from 160 to 10 meter. QSL via home call.
- **E5, SOUTH COOK** Dom, M1KTA will be operating as E51KTA between March 10 and March 19. Operation during his spare time.
- **FO, AUSTRAL ISL** Madison W5MJ together with VE7KF, VA7DX and W5RF will be operating from Raivavae Isl between February 20 and March 3 Focus on low bands if propagation allows. More to follow.
- **HKO, SAN ANDRES** Tim LW9EOC will be operating with WJ2O and HK6F as 5J0NA between February 13 and February 27. Operation from 160 to 6 meter using CW, SSB and RTTY with a focus on the low bands and WARC bands. QSL via LW9EOC.
- KH1, BAKER & HOWLAND ISL A team with Paul N6PSE, Dave K3LP, Aleksey UA4HOX and team leader Hrane YT1AD are planning a large DXpedition to Baker Isl. The plan is to be active somewhere between September and October 2017. The team will be composed with members of WWDX, Intrepid DXers and other interested amateurs.
- **KH2, GUAM** Santos, EA4AK will be operating as AH2P from March 29 until April 17, 2017. Efforts will be made on the bands/nodes that are needed most. QSL via LoTW, OQRS Club Log.
- PJ4, BONAIRE Peter, PA8A will be active in 'holiday-style' as PJ4B between January 8 and January 25, 2017. Operation from 40 to 10 meter. QSL via home call, direct only. PJ7, ST MAARTEN Ismo, OH2IS will be operating in 'holiday-style' as PJ7/call. Activity between February 17 and February 25, 2017. Operation from 80 to 10 meter using mostly CW with some SSB and perhaps RTTY. QSL via Club Log OQRS and LoTW. PJ7, ST MAARTEN Tom, AA9A will once again be operating as PJ7AA from February 15 until March 17, 2017. Operation from 80 to 10 meter using CW, SSB and digital modes. QSL via home call.
- **PYOT, TRINDADE & MARTIM VAZ ISLAND** A DXpedition is planned during 2018. More to follow.
- **T2, TUVALU** Jacek SP5EAQ and Marek SP7DQR will be operating as T2AQ and T2QR (pending) from March 14, 2017 for about 3 weeks. Operation from 80 to 10 meter with Jacek running SSB and Marek CW and digital modes. <a href="http://tuvalu.sp7dqr.pl/">http://tuvalu.sp7dqr.pl/</a> **T8, PALAU** Japanese operators JM1LIG/T88FM, JL1HYH/T88HY, JO3LVG/T88MK, JI6NCY/T88NC, JA6UBY/T88RR and JH6DUL/T88VV will be active between June 16 and June 23, 2017. QRV from 160 to 6 meter using CW, SSB and RTTY. QSL via homecalls. **T8, PALAU** Kouko, JQ6FQI will be QRV as T88WM between January 12 and January 19. Operation on HF. QSL via home call.
- TL, CENTRAL AFRICAN REPUBLIC The Italian DXpedition Team will be operating as TL8TT in February 2017. Operation from 160 to 10 meter using CW and SSB with some RTTY. QSL via I2YSB direct, OQRS and LoTW. <a href="http://www.i2ysb.com/idt/">http://www.i2ysb.com/idt/</a>
- **TU, IVORY COAST** Look for Bertrand DF3FS, Norbert DJ7JC and Heye DJ9RR as TU5MH. Operation from January 22 until February 2, 2017. Activity from 80 to 10 meter using CW, SSB and RTTY. QSL via DJ5BWD, Club Log OQRS and LoTW.
- **V3**, **BELIZE** Rich, K8NDS will be active as V31RF from January 9 until February 6, 2017. Operation on 40, 20 and 17 meter using SSB.
- **V6, MICRONESIA** Look for JA3ARJ (**V63ARJ**), JH3LSS (**V63LSS**), JA3AVO (**V63AVO**), JH3PBL (**V63PBL**) and W7AYA (**V63AYA**) between January 4 and January 22, 2017. Operation from 160 to 6 meter using CW, SSB and digital modes.
- **V6, MICRONESIA** Susume, JA6REX will once again be operating as V633KS during March 2017. Activity on 80 and 160 meter. QSL via home call.
- **VP6, PITCAIRN ISL** A team with Uwe DJ9HX, Erno DK2AMM, Hans DL5JGN and Ronald PA3EWP will be active as VP6EU between February 16 and March 5, 2017. Activity from 160 to 10 meter using CW, SSB and RTTY. QSL via DK2AMM direct or bureau, LoTW, OQRS on Club Log. <a href="http://www.pitcairn2017.de/">http://www.pitcairn2017.de/</a>

**VP8, FALKLANDS** Look for VP8CLE and VP8DKW during January / February 2017. More to follow.

XX9, MACAU A German team with Bom XX9LT, Werner DJ9KH, Guenter DL2AWG, Dietmar DL2HWA, Bert DL2RNS, Juergen DL3HRH, George DL4SVA, Paul DL5CW, Wolf DM2AUJ, Sid DM2AYO and Rolf DL7VEE will be active from February 13 until February 26, 2017. Activity with 3 stations as XX9D from 80 to 10 meter, 160 might be possible, used modes will be CW, SSB and RTTY. <a href="http://xx9d.mydx.de/">http://xx9d.mydx.de/</a>

YJ, VANUATU Minekazu, JA2NQG will be QRV as YJ0WW from Efate. Operation during January 2017. Dates to be confirmed. Focus will be on 160 meter. QSL via home call. ZC4, UK SOVEREIGN BASE CYPRUS Steve, G0GSB will be operating as ZC4SB from January 11 until January 25. Operation during his spare time. QSL via home call. ZF, CAYMAN ISL Pete, K8PGJ will again be QRV as ZF2PG between January 14 and January 22, 2017. Operation on HF. QSL via home call, LoTW.

**ZF, CAYMAN ISL** Al, KZ3AB will operate from Grand Cayman as ZF2AB from April 29 until May 6, 2017. Operation on HF. QSL via WA3EOP.

**ZF, CAYMAN ISL** Kan, JJ2RCJ will be operating as ZF2CJ from March 20 until March 24, 2017. Activity from the ZF1A shack from 80 to 6 meter using mostly RTTY. QSL via home call, OQRS and LoTW.

**ZS8, MARION ISL** David, ZS1BCE is returning to Marion next year to work as a communications technician, during his spare time he will be active as ZS8Z until May 2018. Activity on HF using SSB and digital modes. QSL via ZS1LS.

### **Announced IOTA**

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**SA-043 Ascension Isl** The Chilean DXpedition Team will be QRV as XR7T somewhere between January 10 and January 17, 2017. The goal is to work as much as possible unique calls. Operation on all bands using SSB and digital modes. https://www.rsqbiota.org/info/search.php?q=sa043

**SA-072 Poldros Isl** A Brazilian team will operate as ZZ8P from January 14 until January 18, 2017. Operation on all bands using CW, SSB and digital modes. QSL via PT2GTI, LoTW. <a href="https://www.rsgbiota.org/info/search.php?q=SA072">https://www.rsgbiota.org/info/search.php?q=SA072</a>

#### **THE REMINDERS**

**AF-094 Rachgoun Isl** The Algerian Amateur Radio Union is planning a trip to AF-094 with the call 7Y94I. More to follow. <a href="https://www.rsgbiota.org/info/search.php?q=AF094">https://www.rsgbiota.org/info/search.php?q=AF094</a>

AS-054 Fernliya Isl <a href="https://www.rsgbiota.org/info/search.php?q=AS054">https://www.rsgbiota.org/info/search.php?q=AS054</a>

**AS-121 Tyrtov Isl** <a href="https://www.rsqbiota.org/info/search.php?q=AS121">https://www.rsqbiota.org/info/search.php?q=AS121</a>

AS-104 Nansena Isl <a href="https://www.rsgbiota.org/info/search.php?g=AS104">https://www.rsgbiota.org/info/search.php?g=AS104</a>

AS-068 Skott-Gansena Isl <a href="https://www.rsgbiota.org/info/search.php?q=AS068">https://www.rsgbiota.org/info/search.php?q=AS068</a>

The RT9K team is planning their next trip to the Arctic starting February 14, 2017. They want to set up 3 stations from 40 to 10 meter using CW, SSB and digital modes. QSL via RX9KM. <a href="https://yadi.sk/i/9ZxlEaf8x4SYz">https://yadi.sk/i/9ZxlEaf8x4SYz</a>

AS-088 Al-Safliyah Isl The Qatar Amateur Radio Society with A71AM, A71AV, A71BI, A71EM, A71GO, A75GM, A75GT, E76AA, E78AA, EI5GM, EI9FBB and MM0NDX will be operating as A70X. Operation from January 1 until January 7, 2017 on HF using CW, SSB and digital mode. QSL via M00XO. <a href="https://asia088.com/">https://asia088.com/</a>

https://www.rsqbiota.org/info/search.php?q=AS088

**AS-182** Mon Region group http://www.rsgbiota.org/info/search.php?q=AS182

**AS-183** Tenasserim Region North group

http://www.rsqbiota.org/info/search.php?q=AS183

AS-184 Preparis Channel group <a href="http://www.rsqbiota.org/info/search.php?q=as184">http://www.rsqbiota.org/info/search.php?q=as184</a>

Derek G3KHZ, Hans SM6CVX, Nils SM6CAS, Ulrika SM7WYN and Eddy K5WQG will be operating from 3 new Iota groups. Dates to be announced. The plan is to stay 6 days on each island and operate using CW, SSB and RTTY. More to follow.

**NA-013 Big Corn Isl** Josep EA3BT and Nuria EA3WL will be active as H74B and H74WL between December 31 and January 6, 2017. Activity from 40 to 6 meter using SSB with some CW and RTTY. QSL via EA3BT for both calls, OQRS.

https://www.rsgbiota.org/info/search.php?q=NA013

NA-079 Dry Tortugas Nelson NE4LS and John KE4IDW will be operating as N4T between April 21 and April 24, 2017. Activity on HF using CW and SSB with low power. QSL via NE4LS. <a href="https://www.rsqbiota.org/info/search.php?q=NA079">https://www.rsqbiota.org/info/search.php?q=NA079</a>

NA-122 Beata Isl A team will be operating as HI1UD from January 25 until February 1, 2017. Operation from 160 to 6 meter using CW and SSB. QSL via W2CCW.

http://beatadxpedition2017.org/UD/

https://www.rsqbiota.org/info/search.php?q=NA122

**NA-173 Charlton Isl** A team with VA2AMH, VE2MBT, VE2SSS, VE2WHZ and VE2YAG will be active as VY0/VA2NDX from July 28 until July 30, 2017. Operation on HF before and after the IOTA contest. QSL via F4BHW.

https://www.rsgbiota.org/info/search.php?q=NA173

**OC-196 Gabo Isl** Graig, VK5CE will be active as call/3 from January 31 until February 1, 2017. Last DXpedition to this island was back in 2001. Focus on 20 meter but also during openings on 15, 17, 30 and 40 meter. QSL via home call, direct or bureau, logsearch and OQRS on Club Log. <a href="https://www.rsgbiota.org/info/search.php?q=OC196">https://www.rsgbiota.org/info/search.php?q=OC196</a> <a href="https://oc196.wordpress.com/">https://oc196.wordpress.com/</a>

**OC-198 North Isl** Craig, VK5CE will be operating as call/8 early November 2017. This is a super rare IOTA. More on <a href="https://oc198.wordpress.com/">https://oc198.wordpress.com/</a>

https://www.rsgbiota.org/info/search.php?q=oc198

Craig mentions 'THIS WILL BE ONE OF MY MOST ADVENTUROUS AND EXCITING ONE MAN DXPEDITIONS EVER. I'VE BEEN TRYING TO BRING THIS ON THE AIR SINCE 2011 AND SO I CAN'T WAIT TO GET ON THE AIR'.

**OC-226 Mwokil Isl** Mami, JP3AYQ is planning a trip to the rare IOTA's of V6. More to follow. <a href="https://www.rsgbiota.org/info/search.php?q=oc226">https://www.rsgbiota.org/info/search.php?q=oc226</a>

**SA-028 Couves Isl** A large Brazilian team will be operating as ZV2CV on January 7-8, 2017. Operation from 80 to 10 meter using CW, SSB and digital mode. QSM via PY2XIZ. <a href="https://www.rsgbiota.org/info/search.php?q=SA028">https://www.rsgbiota.org/info/search.php?q=SA028</a>

## **Special call**

#### **THE NEWCOMERS**

**DL, GERMANY** Look for **DLOMORSE** by Heiko DL9JON, this to mark special DOK MORSE. Activity on <u>December 17 and 18</u> on 160, 80 and 40 meter. QSL via bureau. **EA, SPAIN** Look for **EG7SOM** to mark the 5<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the community kitchen run by the Order of Malta in Sevilla. Operation <u>until December 21</u>. QSL via EA7TV. More on QRZ.com.

JA, JAPAN 8J6HAM marks the 16<sup>th</sup> West Japan Ham Fair <u>until March 5, 2017</u>. QSL via bureau.

**K, USA KC5OUR** is the special call by members of the Valencia County ARC to celebrate Christmas. Activity <u>between December 17 and December 24</u> from Bethlehem, New Mexico. Operation from 40 to 10 meter using CW, SSB and digital modes. QSL via KC5OUR, direct. <a href="http://www.kc5our.com/">http://www.kc5our.com/</a>

**K, USA** Special call **W7D** will be on air to celebrate the first flight of the Boeing 787 Dreamliner 7 years ago. Operation <u>until December 19</u> on 20 meter using SSB. QSL via KB7QPS, direct or bureau.

**UA, EUROPEAN RUSSIA** Look for **R17TCNY** to celebrate Tambov's status as Capital of the New Year in Russia 2017. Activity <u>until March, 2017</u>. QSL via RN3RQ bureau or via UA3RU direct.

**YO, ROMANIA** Horia, YO3IMD will be active as **YP2017HNY** between December 20 and January 20, 2017. QSL via YO3KPA, direct or bureau, Club Log.

#### THE REMINDERS

- **4J, AZERBAIJAN** The first amateur radio callsign was issued in 1926, 90 years ago this first operation took place in a secondary school in Helendorf. To celebrate this event, there will be a number of special calls: **4JRA29**, **4KRA29** and prefix like **4J90**, **4K90**, **4J1926** and **4K1926**. This event is until end 2016.
- **9A, CROATIA** Several stations are allowed to add '**70**' to their prefix, this to celebrate the 70<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Croatian Association of Technical Culture. This remains <u>until</u> end 2016.
- **9A, CROATIA 9A1700SBD** is the call used by Radio Club 9A4J <u>during 2016</u>. This to celebrate the 1700<sup>th</sup> anniversary of Saint Blaise, patron saint of the city of Dubrovnik. OSL via 9A4J.
- **9A, CROATIA** The ARC Karlovac (9A1CVW) is celebrating their 70<sup>th</sup> anniversary with the call **9A70CVW**. Operation <u>until end 2016</u>. QSL via 9A6Z.
- **9A, CROATIA** Look for **9A50CBM** to celebrate the golden jubilee of the ARC Marjan (9A1CBM). Operation <u>until end 2016</u>. QSL via 9A1CBM, direct or bureau, logsearch on Club Log.
- **A9, BAHRAIN** Look **for A9110RR** <u>until end 2016</u> to celebrate the 110<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the ITU Radio Regulations. QSL via A92AA.
- **DL, GERMANY DQ200RHH** (DOK 200RHH) is the call to mark the founding of Rheinhessen, a major German wine-growing region 200 years ago. Activity <u>until end 2016</u>. QSL via bureau
- **DL, GERMANY DG500BIER** the call used to celebrate the 500<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Bavarian Purity Law, this law regulates the beer production. Operation until <u>end 2016</u>. QSL via bureau or via DL8NBM direct.
- **DL, GERMANY DP65HSC** is the special call to celebrate the 65<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Radio Telegraphy High Speed Club. Operation until <u>end 2016</u>. QSL will be confirmed automatically via bureau and LoTW.
- **DL, GERMANY** The ARC in Zoenitz is celebrating its 60<sup>th</sup> anniversary with the call **DM60KJN** until end 2016. QSL via DL3VU, direct or bureau.
- **DL, GERMANY** The Dusseldorf DARC Team is celebrating the 70<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the federal state with the call **DL70NRW**. Operation <u>until end 2016</u>. QSL goes automatically via bureau.
- **DL, GERMANY DL500BIER** is another call used to celebrate the 500<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Bavarian Purity Law, this law regulates the beer production. Operation until <u>end 2016</u>. QSL via DJ6SI, direct or bureau.
- **DL, GERMANY** Throughout 2016, the DARC Club of Erwitte celebrates its 40<sup>th</sup> anniversary. **DL40RCE** will be QRV <u>during 2016</u> with the special DOK 40O37. QSL via DL5DCL, direct or bureau, OQRS. <a href="http://www.qsl.net/dl5dcl/home/index.html">http://www.qsl.net/dl5dcl/home/index.html</a>
- **DL, GERMANY** The DARC ARC of Hersbruck (DOKB12) is celebrating its 40<sup>th</sup> anniversary with the call **DB40HEB** until end 2016. QSL via bureau.
- **DL, GERMANY** The European DX Foundation is celebrating its 30<sup>th</sup> anniversary as **DL30EUDXF** until end 2016. QSL via DJ6SI.
- **DL**, **GERMANY DMOMORSE** is the special call <u>during 2016</u> to celebrate the 225<sup>th</sup> anniversary of Samuel Morse's birth. QSL will be confirmed automatically via bureau. **DL**, **GERMANY DL60GAF** is the special call used to celebrate the 60<sup>th</sup> anniversary of Germany's Air Force. Operation <u>until end 2016</u> on all bands. QSL via bureau.
- **DL, GERMANY** The DARC club Neuburg-Schrobenhausen is celebrating the German Purity of 1516 for beer with the call **DL1516BIER**. Activity <u>until end 2016</u>. QSL via bureau or via DK2HM, direct.
- **DL, GERMANY** The Radio Telegraphy High Speed Club celebrate their 65<sup>th</sup> anniversary during 2016. Look for **DP65HSC** with special DOK HSC65. The other HSC club stations **DA0HSC, DK0HSC** and **DL0HSC** will also give the same special DOK. QSL via bureau. http://www.highspeedclub.org/

- **DL, GERMANY DF90KWTJ** is the special call to draw attention to the first nation-wide meeting of German HF amateurs at Jena 90 years ago in 1926. QRV <u>during 2016</u> with the special DOK 90KWTJ. QSL via DL2APJ, direct or bureau.
- **DL, GERMANY** Members of the DARC group Butzbach (DOK F71) are celebrating their 30<sup>th</sup> anniversary as **DR30BUT**. Activity <u>until February 2017</u>. QSL via DK7LX direct or OQRS Club Log.
- **DL, GERMANY** The DARC club Marsberg (DOK O53) is celebrating its 30<sup>th</sup> anniversary until June 2017 with the special call **DLOMHD**. QSL via bureau.
- **DL, GERMANY DR777RI** is active <u>until end 2016</u> to celebrate the 777<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the town Rinteln. QSL via DL80BQ, direct or bureau.
- **EI, IRELAND** To commemorate the 1916 Easter Rising of Dublin, **EI1916E** will be QRV during 2016 on HF using CW, SSB and digital modes. QSL via EI3GC, direct only and LoTW.
- **G, ENGLAND** <u>Until December 31</u> the prefixes **GK, MK,** and **2K** will indicate a station operating from Cornwall and the Isles of Scilly. The Regional Secondary Locator "K" stands for Kernow, i.e. Cornwall in Cornish language, and has been made available, for information on "The Kernow Award", offered by the Poldhu Amateur Radio Club.
- **HA, HUNGARY HG30EUDXF** is the special call to celebrate the 30<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the European DX Foundation. Operation <u>until end 2016</u>. QSL via HA0HW, direct or bureau, OQRS. http://www.eudxf.eu/
- **HA, HUNGARY** Klara, HA5BA was born on October 23, 1956. This day the Hungarian Revolution broke out. To celebrate those 2 events, **HA1956BA** is activated <u>until end 2016</u>. QSL via bureau.
- **HBO, LIECHTENSTEIN** To celebrate the 30<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Amateur Funk Verein Liechtenstein, is the call **HBOAFVL** operational <u>until end 2016</u>. Activated by the national ham club on all bands and all modes. QSL via HBOAFVL direct, Club Log.
- **HB9, SWITZERLAND** Members of the Radio Club ST Cergue are celebrating their 20<sup>th</sup> anniversary as **HB20AA**. Operation <u>during 2016</u> on all bands during the contests. QSL via HB9ARF, direct or bureau. <a href="http://hb9aa.radioamateur.ch/">http://hb9aa.radioamateur.ch/</a>
- **I, ITALY** Special call **IY1EY** is QRV <u>until end 2016</u> to commemorate the experiments conducted by Gugliemo Marconi from his yacht "Elettra" in the Ligurian Sea between 1919 and 1936. Activity on all bands using CW and SSB. QSL via IK1QBT.
- **I, ITALY IIOAPR** is celebrating the founding of Aprilia 80 years ago. Activity <u>until end</u> 2016. QSL via bureau or via IZ0FVH direct.
- **I, ITALY II4BBE** and **II4LXX** are celebrating the 70<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the ARI section Bologna. Operation <u>until end 2016</u>. QSL via bureau or via IZ4FUE direct.
- **ISO, SARDINIA IIOEUDX** is the special call to mark the 30<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the EUDXF until end 2016. QSL via ISOAGY.
- **JA, JAPAN 8J3ME** is the special call by The Mitsubishi Electric ARC to celebrate the 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary on the air. Operation <u>until December 24</u>. QSL via bureau.
- **JA, JAPAN** To celebrate the 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the city of Okazaki, **8J2OKZ** is QRV until end 2016. QSL via bureau.
- **JA, JAPAN** The Iruma Amateur Radio Club is celebrating the founding of the town 50 years ago. Look for **8J1IRM** <u>until end 2016</u>. QSL via bureau.
- **LA, NORWAY LA30EUDXF** is celebrating the 30<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the European DX Foundation <u>until March, 2017</u>. QSL via PA1AW. <u>http://www.eudxf.eu/eudxf30-award/</u> **LZ, BULGARIA** To celebrate the 65<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the High Speed Telegraphy Club,
- **LZ65HSC** is operating <u>until end 2016</u>. QSL via N7RO. <a href="http://www.highspeedclub.org/">http://www.highspeedclub.org/</a> **LZ, BULGARIA** Radio Club Blagovestnik LZ1KCP is using the special call LZ463PP to
- honor a Bulgarian saints. QSL via bureau or direct <a href="http://www.lz1kcp.com">http://www.lz1kcp.com</a>
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- oh, FINLAND The ARC Jakobstad (OH6AG) is celebrating its 70<sup>st</sup> anniversary with the call **OH70AG** <u>until end this year</u>. QSL via OH6AG, direct or bureau. http://www.multi.fi/~oh6ag/
- **ON, BELGIUM OR100LCI** is the special call in the celebrations for the Lions Club International centennial. Operation <u>until March 2017</u>. Activity on all bands using SSB, CW and RTTY. QSL via ON8ZL, direct or bureau, OQRS Club Log.

- **ON, BELGIUM ON30EUDXF** is the special call to celebrate the 30<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the European DX Foundation. Activity <u>until end December</u>. QSL via ON6CC. There is an award available, more information on <a href="http://www.eudxf.eu/eudxf30-award">http://www.eudxf.eu/eudxf30-award</a>.
- **ON, BELGIUM OR70AF** is the special call to celebrate the 70<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Belgian Air Force. Operation <u>until end 2016</u>. QSL via ON2KFJ, bureau or direct. **OZ, DENMARK** Frank, 5P2BA is operating as **XP1SC** (Santa Claus) <u>until January 6, 2017</u>. QSL via OZ1CBA.
- PA, THE NETHERLANDS PA16XMAS, PB16XMAS, PC16XMAS and PD16XMAS are active <u>until December 26</u>, an award is also available. QSL for PA16XMAS and PB16XMAS via PA1AW, PC16XMAS via PD9Z, PD16XMAS via PD7DX. http://www.pc16xmas.com/log/
- **PA, THE NETHERLANDS** Joerg, PA1MUC is celebrating the 65<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the High Speed Club HSC with the special call **PA65HSC**. Activity <u>until end 2016</u>. QSL via DL3LUM, direct or bureau, Club Log, LoTW.
- **PA, THE NETHERLANDS PI35ETL** is the call used to celebrate the 35<sup>th</sup> anniversary of VERON's Section 54. Operation on HF and VHF <u>until December 28</u>. QSL will be sent automatically via bureau. For direct QSL via PA1CPA. Award available on <a href="http://www.grz.com/db/pi35etl/">http://www.grz.com/db/pi35etl/</a>
- **SP, POLAND HF2016HS** is the call to celebrate the 170<sup>th</sup> birthday of the Polish Nobel Laureate Henryk Sienkiewicz. Operation <u>until end 2016</u>. QSL via SQ8JCB.
- **SP, POLAND** Look for **3Z35RTTY, HF35PBW, HF35RTTY** and **SO35RTTY** to commemorate the first RTTY QSO from Poland in 1980 between SR1PBW and Y23NE. Operation <u>until December 18</u>. There is an award available.

http://www.sp1pbw.pl/Dyplom RTTY/Dyplom rtty.html

- **SP, POLAND** Dionizy, SP6IEQ is operating as **HF6FIRAC** <u>during 2016</u>. QSL via home call.
- **SP, POLAND** To celebrate the first university courses in agriculture at Warszaw's university 200 years ago, **SN200SGGW** is active <u>until end 2016</u>. QSL via SP5TAT.
- **SP, POLAND SN800L** celebrates 800 years of documented history of the town Lubawa. Operation <u>during 2016</u>. QSL via SP4RKZ, direct or bureau.
- **SV, GREECE** Look for **SX210RCK** <u>until end 2016</u>. This to celebrate the 10<sup>th</sup> anniversary of Radio Club Kastoria. Operation from 160 to 6 meter using CW, SSB and RTTY. QSL via SV2BXZ, LoTW.
- **TF, ICELAND** To celebrate the 70<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Icelandic Radio Amateurs, Icelandic amateurs may use the **TF70** prefix during 2016.
- UN, KAZAKHSTAN The following special event stations are going to celebrate Kazakhstan's 25th anniversary of independence <u>during December</u>: UP25CWA, UP25ECA, UP25FW, UP25G, UP25I, UP25J, UP25KZ, UP25L, UP25LL, UP25LW, UP25M, UP25N, UP25NFD, UP25NR, UP25NWA, UP25O, UP25OGA, UP25P, UP25PA, UP25TX, UP25Z, UP25ZA, UP25ZAF, UP25ZF, UP25ZWW. An award will be available for 25 QSOs. QSL via RW6HS, direct only.

http://kazakhstan25.hamlog.ru/index.php?locale=en

- UR, UKRAINE Special call **EO25UD** is active <u>during December</u> to mark the 25<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the UARL, the Ukrainian national ham radio club. QSL via UR7UD. UR, UKRAINE To celebrate the 90<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Lviv Shortwave Club, **EO90WU** is therefore QRV <u>until end 2016</u>. QSL via UW1WU.
- **VK, AUSTRALIA** Special station **VI50DC** is active from Victoria <u>until December 31</u> to celebrate 50 years of decimalization in Australia, when the new Australian dollar (Decimal Currency) replaced the Australian pound. QSL via M00XO's OQRS.
- **YO, ROMANIA YP700CJ** is the call used to celebrate the 700<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the city Cluj-Napoca. Activity <u>until end 2016</u>. QSL direct.
- **YU, SERBIA** To commemorate the 160<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the birth of Nikola Tesla, ARC Novi Beograd will use the call **YU0TESLA** <u>until end 2016</u>. QSL via YU1FJK.
- **Z3, MACEDONIA** The Radio Club Stevo Patakot is celebrating its 70<sup>th</sup> anniversary with the call **Z370CEF** until end 2016. QSL via bureau.
- **Z3, MACEDONIA Z370RSM** is QRV <u>until end 2016</u>. This to celebrate 70 years of the Radio Amateur Society of Macedonia. QSL via Z33RW.

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